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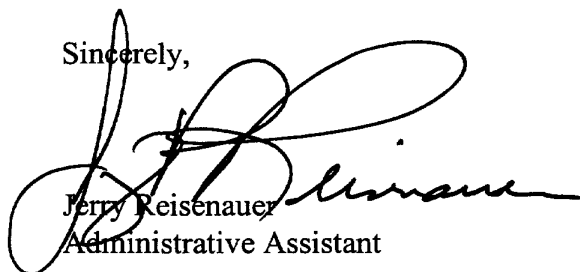
Federal Communications Commission
Magalie Roman Salas
Portals II
445 12th Street SW
Suite TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas:

Enclosed you will find an original and four copies of the "IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity Plan" for Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. This plan was filed and approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission on June 22, 1999 and was filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission on June 25, 1999 with expected approval on July 28, 1999. After conferring with Mr. Gregory Cooke of the FCC Network Services Division, we file and request that the FCC approve the enclosed plan. Implementation dates for the bulk of our subscribers, which are those that reside in South Dakota, will be July 22, 1999. For the 140 subscribers that reside in North Dakota, the implementation date will be as soon as the North Dakota Public Service Commission will allow.

If you have questions regarding the enclosed documents, I may be reached at 605-244-5236 or you may visit with Mr. Cooke who suggested that we complete this filing to assure that we are in compliance with the FCC IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity Rule.

Sincerely,


Jerry Reisenauer
Administrative Assistant

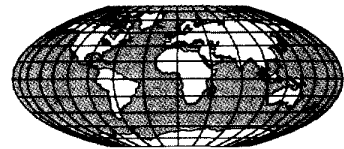
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IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR INTRALATA TOLL DIALING PARITY

File # NSD-L-98-121

Docket # 96-98

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. submits this Implementation Plan for IntraLATA Toll Dialing Parity (hereinafter referenced as "the Plan") pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 51.213. The purpose of the Plan is to provide information to the Commission concerning how and when Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. will convert to IntraLATA toll dialing parity, or, as it is sometimes called, IntraLATA equal access. The provisioning of such capability will permit customers to select which long distance carrier they want to handle their IntraLATA 1+ calls.

1. Company name and address:

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.
P.O. Box 39
Bison, SD 57620

Telephone (605) 244-5236
Fax (605) 244-7288

2. Associated LATA:

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. is located in and for purposes of this Plan associates with LATA 640.

3. Description of offering.

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. will offer IntraLATA toll dialing parity through the "full 2-PIC" presubscription software installed on a centralized basis at the access tandem switch of South Dakota Network, Inc. ("SDN"). The "full 2-PIC" method of presubscription allows a customer to presubscribe to one long distance carrier for all 1+ IntraLATA toll calls and to presubscribe to the same or another long distance carrier for all 1+ IntraLATA toll calls. Directory assistance calls reached by dialing 1+ the telephone number are included in this IntraLATA presubscription process. Because the IntraLATA toll dialing parity capability will be provisioned via SDN at 2900 West 10th, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, interconnection and access necessary for participation in the offering may be ordered by long distance carriers via SDN.

4. Included local exchange areas and conversion date.

IntraLATA toll dialing parity through SDN will be made available in the following local exchange areas.

Nisland, SD 605-257
Lemmon, SD 605-374

Newell, SD 605-456
Lemmon, ND 701-376

5. Interexchange carrier "carrier" notification.

All carriers certified in South Dakota to provide long distance services will be notified by June 1, 1999, of the conversion to IntraLATA toll dialing parity (a sample copy of the carrier notification letter to be used is attached hereto as Appendix A). These carriers will be asked to respond by June 16, 1999, if they want to participate in the IntraLATA toll presubscription process (a sample copy of the form which carriers will complete to indicate their participation in the presubscription process is attached hereto as Appendix B). Carriers that choose to participate in the presubscription process shall submit verified preferred carrier change orders to Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. to effectuate requests by subscriber for their IntraLATA toll service.

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. will make available preconversion customer name and address lists. These customer lists are available to assist participating carriers in their presubscription solicitation efforts. These lists may be provided subject to a reasonable non-discriminatory fee, with delivery contingent upon the carrier meeting all requirements for participation in the IntraLATA presubscription process.

6. Customer notification.

A. Current customers.

Customers, including payphone service providers, will be notified of the conversion to IntraLATA toll dialing parity by letter. In such letter, customers will be advised of their IntraLATA choices. Customers will be given the option to remain with their existing IntraLATA 1+ carrier, Express Communications, or to choose a different IntraLATA carrier for their 1+ service. The letter will include a list indicating all carriers in addition to the existing 1+ carrier that have chosen to participate in the IntraLATA toll presubscription process (a sample copy of the customer notification letter that will be used is attached hereto as Appendix C). The list of carriers will include a toll free telephone number for each carrier listed.

Customers will be advised that if they choose a carrier other than their existing IntraLATA 1+ carrier, they must directly contact the long distance company that they've chosen in order to initiate that change. Those customers choosing to stay with their existing IntraLATA 1+ carrier, will not have to take

any action. Their IntraLATA 1+ service will remain with their current provider. Based on letters of agency received directly from participating carriers, Stateline Telecommunications, Inc., as of the date and time that IntraLATA dialing parity is implemented, will execute all necessary carrier selection changes.

Customers will not be charged for making any change to their IntraLATA 1+ carrier during the presubscription process. In addition, customers will be advised that they will be given 60 days after the IntraLATA toll dialing parity implementation date to change their IntraLATA 1+ carrier at no charge.

Any preferred carrier freeze obtained by customers previously on their InterLATA 1+ service shall not be extended to prevent their participation in the IntraLATA toll presubscription process. Any preferred carrier freeze on a customer's IntraLATA 1+ service shall be specifically authorized by the customer.

In the event that no access service requests are received and no carriers other than Express Communications choose to participate in the IntraLATA 1+ offering, Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. shall still provide notice to its subscribers that 1+ dialing parity for IntraLATA toll calls is available.

B. New customers.

New customers to Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.'s local exchange service, will be asked to choose both an IntraLATA and InterLATA carrier. They will be informed that regulations require that they choose a carrier for their IntraLATA 1+ service (for calls within this LATA) and also choose a carrier for their InterLATA 1+ service (for calls going outside this LATA). Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. will either inform or provide new customers a list of all carriers participating in IntraLATA 1+ services and all carriers participating in InterLATA 1+ services. Customer service representatives of Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. will reference the names of all carriers in the customer's exchange area providing 1+ toll service in the customer's exchange area. If the customer requests, the customer service representative will provide contact telephone numbers for the available carriers. Lists used by the customer service representatives will contain carriers' names in random order.

Customers applying for service will be encouraged to make a carrier selection. New customers will make an affirmative selection before they will be assigned to any carrier for either their IntraLATA 1+ or InterLATA 1+ service. New customers will be advised that neither IntraLATA 1+ dialed calls or InterLATA 1+ dialed calls originated from the customer's local line will be possible until a carrier selection is made. Until a selection is made, non-selecting customers will need to dial a carrier access code to make either IntraLATA or InterLATA toll calls.

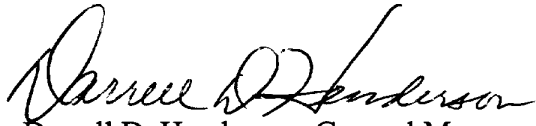
Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. upon being contacted by either new or existing customers and receiving requests for a preferred carrier or preferred carrier change shall not market its own IntraLATA 1+ service on that same call, but may answer customer initiated questions.

7. Request for approval of Plan.

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. asks that the Commission grant its official approval of this Plan.

Dated this 7th day of July, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,


Darrell D. Henderson, General Manager

**Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.
IntraLATA Dialing Parity Timeline**

Carrier notifications completed by: **June 1, 1999**

Carrier responses due by: **June 16, 1999**

Customer notification completed by: **South Dakota - June 25, 1999**
North Dakota - As Mandated by the Federal Communications
Commission & North Dakota Public Service Commission

Due date for customer response forms: **South Dakota - July 12, 1999**
North Dakota - As Mandated by the Federal Communications
Commission & North Dakota Public Service Commission

IntraLATA dialing parity implementation date: **South Dakota - July 22, 1999**
North Dakota - As Mandated by the Federal Communications
Commission & North Dakota Public Service Commission

End of 60 day grace period: **South Dakota - September 20, 1999**
North Dakota - As Mandated by the Federal Communications
Commission & North Dakota Public Service Commission

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APPENDIX A

TO: All Long Distance Carriers of Record
in the State of South Dakota

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. (ST) is pleased to announce the provisioning of IntraLATA equal access in certain local exchange areas. A list of these exchanges is attached. This service will be made available to customers on July 22, 1999.

It is ST's intent to work closely with all users of access and maintain an impartial position with regard to the end user's selection of an IntraLATA long distance carrier. ST will supply a PIC list for the end user's selection of an IntraLATA long distance carrier. However, because IntraLATA equal access will be provisioned via South Dakota Network (SDN) at 2900 West 10th Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, interconnection and access may be ordered via SDN.

Please complete and return the attached form if you wish to be a carrier of choice on the IntraLATA equal access PIC list for the exchanges listed on the next page.

Questions may be directed to Jerry Reisenauer at 605-244-5236.

You must return your request for participation postmarked no later than June 16, 1999, to:

Contact Name: Jerry Reisenauer
Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.
P.O. Box 39
Bison, SD 57620
Fax: 605-244-7288

Sincerely,

Darrell D. Henderson, General Manager

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June 22, 1999

To: All South Dakota Customers of
Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. is pleased to announce that effective July 22, 1999, we will make it possible for you to choose from various long distance companies for your in-state 1+ long distance service (IntraLATA long distance service). This service includes all of your intrastate long distance calls made by dialing 1 plus the area code and local telephone number. With these changes, you will have the ability to select a long distance company for your in-state 1+ long distance service.

In conjunction with making these changes, Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. is asking all of its local exchange subscribers to choose whether they wish to retain the current long distance company providing their in-state 1+ long distance service or select another company for the service.

Currently, Express Communications provides your in-state 1+ long distance service. This company will continue to provide service to you unless you select another carrier. If you do nothing, your in-state 1+ long distance service will remain with Express Communications.

Attached is a list of long distance companies, in addition to Express Communications, that have agreed to provide 1+ in-state long distance services in your area. If you wish to change your 1+ in-state (IntraLATA) long distance carrier, you must directly contact the long distance company that you've chosen in order to initiate that change.

You will not be charged for making a change to your existing in-state 1+ long distance service in response to this notice. In addition, for a period of 60 days after July 22, 1999, you may decide to change your in-state 1+ long distance carrier, one time, at no charge. After September 20, 1999, you will incur a Primary Interexchange Carrier (PIC) charge of \$5.00 for changing carriers.

Please call our office at 605-244-5236 if you have any questions on this matter.

Sincerely,

Darrell D. Henderson, General Manager

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LIST

Listed below are the other long distance companies that are willing to offer you IntraLATA 1+ (generally in-state) long distance services. If you wish to change your IntraLATA 1+ long distance carrier, please directly contact the long distance company that you've chosen in order to initiate that change.

ABC Telephone Company, Inc.
Bus/Res: 1-800-555-1234

LMNOP Telecommunications
Bus: 1-800-555-2345

ZXC Telephone Company
Bus/Res: 1-800-555-3456

Please respond on or before July 12, 1999.

**Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. exchanges
to provide IntraLATA equal access:**

TOWN	NPA	NXX
Nisland	605	257
Newell	605	456
Lemmon	605	374
Lemmon	701	376

**INTRALATA
PIC LIST PARTICIPATION FORM FOR
STATELINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

CARRIER NAME	
ACNA	
CIC	
BILLING ADDRESS	
BILLING CONTACT	
PHONE NUMBER	
FAX NUMBER	
E-MAIL ADDRESS	
CUSTOMER SERVICE NUMBER (BUSINESS)	
CUSTOMER SERVICE NUMBER (RESIDENCE)	
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INCLUDED ON THE INTRALATA PIC LIST	YES NO
SIGNATURE	
TITLE	
DATE	

Please respond by June 16, 1999

Stateline Telecommunications, Inc.
P.O. Box 39
Bison, SD 57620